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In re application of:

GREY ET AL.

Application No.: 08/349,177

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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINALITY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.129(a)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) Applicants request the withdrawal of the finality of the final rejection dated November 9, 1998 and the Notice of Appeal filed May 10, 1999. The pending application is a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 08/159,184, filed November 29, 1993 (now abandoned), which is a continuation-in-part of 08/073,205, filed June 4, 1993 (now abandoned) and which is a continuation-in-part of 08/027,146, filed March 5, 1993 (pending). The fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(r) is submitted herewith.

W/Re/1989 V1 FD:E49 V1 FO:240 Please charge the fee of 380.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(r) to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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